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CONGRESSMAN PITTENGER TO MONITOR HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES IN CHINA

CHARLOTTE – Congressman Robert Pittenger (NC-09) has been appointed to the Congressional-Executive Commission on China, where he will work to monitor human rights abuses in China. Speaker of the House John Boehner appointed Congressman Pittenger because of his extensive work to support and encourage persecuted religious minorities around the world.

"For many years, I have quietly traveled to China, the Soviet Union, the former Soviet bloc, and other countries to meet with persecuted Christians, house church pastors, and other minorities who are persecuted because of their faith," said Congressman Pittenger. "Religious freedom is a basic, fundamental human right, and I am humbled by this opportunity to support religious minorities and encourage the Chinese government to end religious persecution."

The Congressional-Executive Commission on China is comprised of 9 Congressman, 9 Senators, and 5 representatives from the Executive Branch. Created in 2000, the Commission has a legislative mandate to monitor human rights abuses and the development of the rule of law in China, and to submit an annual report to the President and Congress.

For more information on the Commission, visit www.cecc.gov.

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